

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition for reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease by lowering homocysteine levels in the body consisting essentially of: comprising:

dextromethorphan;

folic acid or folate;

vitamin B₆; and

vitamin B₁₂.

2. (Currently Amended) A The composition of claim 1 wherein the composition includes lecithin and vitamin E for reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease by lowering homocysteine levels in the body consisting essentially of:

dextromethorphan;

folic acid or folate;

vitamin B₆;

vitamin B₁₂;

lecithin; and

vitamin E.

3. (Currently Amended) A The composition of claim 2 wherein the composition includes beta-carotene for reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease by lowering homocysteine levels in the body consisting essentially of:

dextromethorphan;

folic acid or folate;

vitamin B₆;

vitamin B₁₂;

lecithin;

vitamin E; and

beta-carotene.

4. (Currently Amended) A The composition of claim 3 wherein the composition includes for reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease by lowering homocysteine levels in the body consisting essentially of:

dextromethorphan;

folic acid or folate;

vitamin B₆;

vitamin B₁₂;

lecithin;

vitamin E;

beta-carotene; and

a compound selected from the group consisting essentially of procyanidins, flavonoids, oligomeric proanthocyanidins and mixtures thereof.

5. (Currently Amended) A The composition of claim 4 wherein the composition includes trimethylglycine and ginkgo biloba for reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease by lowering homocysteine levels in the body consisting essentially of:

dextromethorphan;

folic acid or folate;

vitamin B₆;

vitamin B₁₂;

lecithin;

vitamin E;

beta-carotene;

a compound selected from the group consisting essentially of procyanidins, flavonoids, oligomeric proanthocyanidins and mixtures thereof;

trimethylglycine; and

ginkgo biloba.

6. (Currently Amended) A The composition of claim 5 wherein the composition includes garlic oil and minerals for reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease by lowering homocysteine levels in the body consisting essentially of:

dextromethorphan;

folic acid or folate;

vitamin B₆;

vitamin B₁₂;

lecithin;

vitamin E;

beta-carotene;

a compound selected from the group consisting essentially of procyanidins, flavonoids, oligomeric proanthocyanidins and mixtures thereof;

trimethylglycine;

ginkgo biloba;

garlic oil; and

minerals.

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30. (New) A composition for reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease by lowering homocysteine levels in the body consisting essentially of in a daily dose:

dextromethorphan in an amount of about 5 to 360 mg;

folic acid or folate in an amount of about 0.5 to 5-10 mg;

vitamin B₆ in an amount of about 2 to 100 mg; and

vitamin B₁₂ in an amount of about 0.01 to 5 mg.

31. (New) A composition of claim 30 consisting essentially of in a daily dose:

dextromethorphan in an amount of about 30 to 120 mg;

folic acid or folate in an amount of about 1 to 5 mg;

vitamin B₆ in an amount of about 6 to 25 mg; and

vitamin B₁₂ in an amount of about 0.1 to 3 mg.